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Please replace the paragraphs at Page 7, lines 18-24 and Page 8, lines 1-2 with the following:

FIGURE 1b shows a scanning electron micrographs of the coating of Fig. 1a illustrating details of the fracture face showing a columnar structure with feather-like features.

FIGURE 2a shows a thick LaPO₄ coating, showing columnar structure, deposited on sapphire at room temperature by laser ablation.

FIGURE 2b shows a thin LaPO₄ coating deposited on sapphire at ~800°C by laser ablation and subsequently annealed at 1100°C.

IN THE FIGURES:

Please delete original Figure 2 and renumber original Figure 3 as Figure 2 (renumbered Figure 3 is enclosed).